



Draft Environmental Impact Statement for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

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- I have lived in Las Vegas, Charleston Heights area, for almost 38 years in the same
- 1... house. [I am a basic "Federalist", and formerly believed almost everything the government told me. The atom bomb testing in the 50's, wherein soldiers stationed one mile away actually were sent into ground zero to check the results, was supposedly safe. No way was there nerve-gas testing going on, and in no way was the deaths of hundreds of sheep in Southern Utah caused by anything like nerve gas, nor were the many, many cancer happenings in families with no histories of such--no way caused by the above-ground atom bomb tests. Well, it just didn't add up. I finally realized that while the original testing above ground was possibly done in ignorance, I cannot believe the other many bare-faced lies the government has foisted on the public (in the 50's...we were told our spy planes were NOT FLYing over Russia, only later to have to admit it...just an example). I have been up to the Yucca Mountain on a tour, and it sounded ever so safe. but who told us this? The people working towards the repository. Something is wrong with that picture.] A recent earthquake moved my house (shook it), and may have caused \$8,000 worth of pipe damage between my curb and the city main sewer line, (not anywhere near tree roots). [I worry about quake damage to casks in the long run. I worry what seeing trucks marked "Nuclear Waste" will do to our tourist trade.] If these casks are
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3 cont. are so safe for thousands of years, then why can't each state somehow store their
4 own waste. And why, when the government or DOE or whoever, set certain standards
of safety, they've been lowered? Reminds me of the school situations...where when
students can't make the grade, we just lower the standards. What a wonderful
future America will have if this lowering of standards to accommodate politics
is continued!

5 Also, the Shoshone have a treaty that to my knowledge hasn't been changed. And
even if "over-glamorized" (American Indians) in movies and legends, I still believe
they have a love and respect for the land. I am not well-read on whether IF the
Yucca Mountain (on their land) is used, if they will be paid millions of dollars
in exchange for the land (as they should be).

1 cont. The "government" (city, county, state, and possibly federal) has let land be
developed in major washes, major areas where the ground is not stable, etc. Please
tell me why I should trust the government reports on Yucca Mountain safety? ~~And~~
These special organizations or government-paid scientists are most certainly
watching their own rearends when it comes to outcomes of the report.

Thank you..... Judith Hickman